

### Greetings!

The beginning of this season at Club Pelican Bay is so very different from last year. The recovery from lan is nearly complete and we can fully enjoy the beauty of our little slice of paradise. How lucky are we?

Founders Scholarship Fund has been busy these past few months preparing for our biennial event, the Ed Brennan Memorial Banquet & Golf Tournament. Be sure to mark your calendar for April 8 and 9, 2024. Our community will come together for this amazing fundraiser to invest in the future of so many deserving students. It will be a great celebration!

We are currently supporting 110 Scholars as they pursue their dreams. As a reminder, we support employees (and their kids), as well as students throughout Collier County. Each scholarship is \$24,000, distributed over four years. Thanks to your generosity, we are doing great work!

I wish you a HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON and a NEW YEAR filled with good health and good times.

Pat Chadwick, Board Chair

## **MENTORSHIP PROGRAM**



Pat Chadwick with Israel Estrada

I'm proud of this photo that was recently taken with my mentee.
Israel Estrada is currently a junior at Florida Gulf Coast University studying Construction
Management. We've been able to share many hours together over the past few years as he pursues his degree.

Our Mentorship Program is a great way to engage with students like Israel. I think I get more out of this relationship than he does — but hopefully, we are both winners!



about our Mentorship Program, please let us know. We will be happy to get you involved.

If you're interested in learning more

Dan Zhao with her mentor, Ted Swan.

Dan is an employee at Club Pelican Bay.





Ed Brennan Memorial
BANQUET &
GOLF TOURNAMENT

Monday, April 8 & Tuesday, April 9

Want to get involved? Ask us how!



## MEET OUR SCHOLARS

This past spring, Founders Scholarship Fund awarded scholarships to 27 Collier County students.

Students, along with their parents, and FSF Board members, gathered for the annual scholarship reception on April 26 at Club Pelican Bay. Scholarships totaling \$648,000 were presented at the ceremony by Bob Tyre, 2023 Scholarship Committee Chair, and incoming Committee Chair, Michael Balgord.

The career aspirations of the students include nursing, research, engineering, artificial intelligence, and more.



2023 Scholarship Recipients



Betsy Doreus with her father, Rosnel. Rosnel is a Club Pelican Bay employee.



Meg Tyre, Emily Gutierrez, and Bob Tyre.

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Through the kindness and generosity of your donations, over 100 students are now attending college and receiving a Founders Fund scholarship to help pay for their education. With their hard work and your donations and investment in their futures, lives are being changed forever.

All amounts are appreciated. Let's change one life at a time and make dreams come true for a Collier County student.

#### Mission

For over 30 years, Founders Scholarship Fund of Club Pelican Bay has stayed true to its mission — to provide financial assistance to young people from Collier County in their pursuit of post high school education and training.

### FOUNDERS SCHOLARSHIP FUND

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